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1. It was learned at the end of December 1950 that the Hq Central Group of Forces in Austria had been ordered to bring the officer personnel up to full authorized strength. A replacement pool of officers was to be established at Baden (O 49/X 37). The evacuation of sick and disabled officers was started.
2. Between 27 November and 25 December, officers of all ranks and branches of service were observed to arrive in Vienna in large numbers aboard the train which regularly travels over the Moscow-Vienna route via Cop (R 49/E 90).*

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* Comment. The new arrivals are believed to have been officer replacements. The report confirms a previous estimate that personnel and materiel affairs of the Central Group of Forces are handled in the same way as are those of the GOFG in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

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